



Federal Facilities Environmental Stewardship and Compliance Assistance Center

Environmental Program Management Tools for Federal Facilities



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What is FedCenter?

- **FedCenter's** mission is to help federal environmental managers better manage their environmental programs, and help improve their environmental performance
- **FedCenter** provides environmental managers with a variety of program area guidance, regulatory compliance and environmental stewardship information and compliance assistance tools
- **FedCenter** is a partnership between federal agencies pooling their resources and expertise to help meet their environmental compliance challenges



Program Development

- Program Area Information
 - Summary of EO 13423 requirements
 - Regulations, guidance, and policy
 - Supporting information and tools available
 - Lessons learned
 - Training, briefing, and presentation aids
 - Conferences, workshops, and training opportunities


| Program Areas |
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| Executive Order 13423 |
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| Energy |
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| Natural Resources |
| NEPA |
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| Transportation |

Focus on EMS


- Regulations, Guidance and Policy
 - *EO 13423 and EO 13423 Implementing Instructions*
 - *Clarification of Declaration of Conformance Requirements in Instructions to EO 13423*
 - EPA, DOE, NASA and other Federal agency guidance and policies
 - Links to ISO 14000 EMS standards
 - OMB Scorecard guidance
 - EMS Integration or “Crosswalks”
 - *Aligning NEPA with EMS*
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Regulations, Guidance, and Policy

EO 13423


 **Executive Order 13423**
Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management
24 January 2007
Executive Order 13423 "Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management", signed by President Bush on January 24, 2007. The order sets goals in the areas of energy efficiency, acquisition, renewable energy, toxics reductions, recycling, renewable energy, sustainable buildings, electronics stewardship, fleets, and water conservation. In addition the order requires more widespread use of Environmental Management Systems as the framework in which to manage and continually improve these sustainable practices.

Administration Guidance and Policies


 **Clarification of Declaration of Conformance Requirements in Instructions to Executive Order 13423 (DOC 48.13 KB)**
This document, issued by OFEE, clarifies what is required in order to declare conformance with the EMS requirements of EO 13423.


 **Environmental Compliance Management Improvement Initiative, PMC Meeting Handout (DOC 73.73 KB)**
This document, dated October 2004 describes what requirements must be followed if a facility/organization does not have an EMS.


ESHMS Guidance


 **ESHMS Implementation Guidance**
The Office of the Federal Environmental Executive has released implementation guidance for use in preparing and deploying a Hierarchical, Organization-focused Environment Safety and Health Management System (ESHMS). The guidance includes sample templates while outlining key steps for agencies to follow to implement a hierarchical, organizational-level, enterprise ESHMS, from headquarters down to facilities. The templates may also be used for the development of a system that addresses environment only (i.e. EMS) or for a system that is implemented at only one level of the organization.

Federal Agency's Guidance and Policies


 **Department of Energy (DOE) Order 450.1, Environmental Protection Program**
This DOE Order details the implementation of EMS at DOE Facilities.

 **Department of Interior (DOI) Manual 515 DOM 4, Environmental Management Systems**
This Department Manual release, 515 DM 4, issued August 13, 2008, updates Departmental policy, responsibilities, and functions on environmental management systems to be conducted on Departmental lands, facilities, operations, and services.

 **DOI Interpretive Guidance on the Department's Environmental Management Systems Policy (515 DM 4) (PDF 7.00 MB)**
This Department of Interior Environmental Compliance Memorandum No. ECM08-2, dated December 18, 2008, entitled "Interpretive Guidance on the Department's Environmental Management Systems Policy (515 DM 4)", provides guidance and information to departmental bureaus and office on EMS implementation.

 **NASA's Environmental Management System (EMS)**
NASA Procedural Requirement 855.3.1A describes NASA's Environmental Management System (EMS).

EPA Guidance

 **EPA Guidance Encourages the Use of EMS in Enforcement Cases (PDF 307.22 KB)**













Focus on EMS

- EMS Development
 - *How to Develop an EMS*
 - *An Implementation Guide for Small & Medium Size Businesses*
 - Sample lists of aspects and impacts
 - Contract language for including EMS in contracts
 - Agency implementation policies and example EMSs
 - Chesapeake Bay-Focused EMS
 - DLA ESOH Management System
 - DOE HQ Facilities EMS
 - VHA's GEMS Guidebook
 - EMS case studies and crosswalks
- Measuring EMS Implementation/Success
 - *Questions for Implementation Assessment*
 - EMS scorecard metrics, reporting guidance and scorecard results
 - Agency-wide environmental awards and recognition programs
 - Closing the Circle
 - Secretary of Defense Environmental Awards

Focus on EMS

- Training, Presentations and Briefings
 - Briefing guides
 - *Army Commanders EMS Briefing Guide*
 - *DHHS EMS Manager's Briefing Guide*
 - Various senior-level briefings
 - Auditor training
 - *Introduction to EMS Auditing Concepts*
 - *EMS Internal Auditor Training Guide*
 - *AWMA's Internal Environmental Auditor E-Course*
 - EPA's *Introduction to EMS* (online training)
 - DOI Learn's EMS Implementation Course
 - Various EMS employee awareness training courses
 - Conference proceedings
- Conferences and Events

Training, Presentations, and Briefings

-  **A Brief Overview of Environmental Management Systems and ISO 14001**
Senior management briefing developed by OFEE
-  **Department of Health and Human Services EMS Manager's Briefing Guide (PDF 121.49 KB)**
The DHHS version of the Army's EMS Manager's Guide.
-  **DOI General EMS Awareness Training (PPT 932.86 KB)**
Dept. of Interior's EMS awareness training presentation, dated August 2007.
-  **Electronics and Your EMS Commitments**
This presentation reviews the definition of an Environmental Management System (EMS) and why the federal government is implementing EMSs. It also describes the connection between EMSs and the Federal Electronics Challenge and provides examples of Federal EMSs that have focused on electronics.
-  **EMS Internal Auditor Training Guide (PDF 202.11 KB)**
Introduction to EMS auditing concepts.
-  **EMS Training Presentation (PPT 84.99 KB)**
A MS Powerpoint presentation that was given to senior officials at the Department of Justice headquarters building in July, 2004.
-  **EPA Region 3 EMS Employee Awareness Training**
There are three training sessions. One is for the Region 3 regional staff on implementing an EMS in the Philadelphia Regional Office. Two is for focusing the Region 3 staff on their responsibility in the system, our policy, objectives, accomplishments and next steps. Three is meant to provides a good introduction to what an EMS is, and what responsibilities a new employee, contractor, or other people working in our office have in our EMS.
-  **EPA Region 9/10 EMS Training Presentations**
These presentations provide guidance and tools for facility Program Managers to use and modify to meet their facility training and educational needs. They can be used for general awareness training for upper management, or for detailed EMS implementation guidance for individuals and line managers implementing EMS improvements.
-  **EPA's Introduction to Environmental Management Systems (Online)**
This course provides an overview of environmental management systems (EMS) and how EMS can support environmental improvements at facilities that are subject to environmental regulations. It also presents information regarding the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) involvement in supporting EMS efforts at facilities regulated under a number of environmental statutes, including the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). This training course will take about 1 hour to complete.
-  **OMB Scorecards: Picking Up The Pace (PPT 1.01 MB)**
This presentation, given at the Federal Facilities Council meeting, discusses how the scorecards work and the status of the program.
-  **SAMPLE EMS Manager's Guide (DOC 117.25 KB)**
Generic version of the Army's EMS Manager's Guide.
-  **Senior Management Briefing Fact Sheet on EMS (PDF 96.94 KB)**
One page management brief.

Compliance Assistance

- Regulatory Watch
 - Tracks draft and final regulatory information
 - E-mail subscription service
- Facility Regulatory Tour
 - 14 activity areas, 85+ focus areas
 - Summaries of federal and common state regulatory requirements
 - P2 opportunities, green products, best practices




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[Federal Agencies On List of Top 50 U.S. Green Power Purchasers](#) (Updated 04/27/2009)
The nation's top 50 purchasers are buying more than 11 billion kilowatt-hours (kWh) of green power annually, equivalent to the CO2 emissions that would be produced from the electricity use of more than 1.1 million average American homes. The U.S. Air Force is Number 8, the U.S. EPA is number 14, the U.S. Department of Energy is number 23. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is number 30, and the U.S. General Services Administration/Region 2 is number 43 on the list.

Articles

[Regulatory Watch](#)
[Proposed Endangerment and Cause or Contribute Findings for Greenhouse Gases Under Section 202\(a\) of the Clean Air Act](#) (04/27/2009)
[Toxics Release Inventory Form A Eligibility Revisions Implementing the 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act](#) (04/27/2009)

Bookmarks

[Grants](#)
[Conservation Innovation Grant: Pacific Island](#) (04/27/2009)
There are two CIG components available Pacific Islands Area in FY 2009: Natural Resource Concerns Component and Technology Component. Application for the grants is unrestricted and applications are due May 15, 2009.
[Conservation Innovation Grant: Pennsylvania](#) (04/27/2009)
Grant opportunity FY 2009 applications shall address one of the following environmental concerns: Water Resources Soil Resources Atmosphere Resources Grazing Lands Energy, or Wildlife Habitat. The grants are unrestricted and applications are due May 4, 2009.

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Overview

A laboratory is a facility where the laboratory use of hazardous chemicals occurs. It is a workplace where relatively small quantities of hazardous chemicals are used on a non-production basis (29 CFR 1910.1450(b)). This can be a wet lab, a biology lab, a histology lab, an hematology lab, a dry lab, a necropsy lab, a water analysis lab, or a waste characterization lab to name a few possibilities.

The *Laboratory Use of a Hazardous Chemical* is defined as handling or use of such chemicals in which all of the following conditions are met (29 CFR 1910.1450(b)):

1. chemical manipulations are carried out on a laboratory scale
2. multiple chemical procedures or chemicals are used
3. the procedures involved are not part of a production process, nor in any way simulate a production process
4. protective laboratory practices and equipment are available and in common use to minimize the potential for employee exposure to hazardous chemicals.

The term *Laboratory Scale* means to work with substances in which the containers used for reactions, transfers, and other handling of substances are designed to be easily and safely manipulated by one person (29 CFR 1910.1450(b)).



Focus Areas

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P2 Opportunities

[EPA's Database on Mercury-Containing Products and Alternatives](#)
[Pollution Prevention Resource Exchange \(P2Rx\)](#)

Green Products

[Product Stewardship Institute](#)

Best Practices

[EPA Laboratories and Their Environmental Attributes](#)
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Hazardous Materials Storage

General Description

Depending on the volume of hazardous materials or extremely hazardous materials stored on site, federal facilities must submit notifications of their activities.

Summary of Federal Requirements

Release Notification

When there is a release of a reportable quantity (RQ) of any extremely hazardous substance or CERCLA hazardous substance, the facility must make emergency release notification to the State Emergency Planning Committee (SERC) and the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). The notification must include:

- The chemical name;
- An indication of whether the substance is extremely hazardous;
- An estimate of the quantity released into the environment;
- The time and duration of the release;
- Whether the release occurred into air, water, and/or land;
- Any known or anticipated acute or chronic health risks associated with the emergency, and where necessary, advice regarding medical attention for exposed individuals;
- Proper precautions, such as evacuation or sheltering in place; and,
- Name and telephone number of contact person.

A written follow-up notification must be submitted to the LEPC and the SEPC.

The hazardous substances to which this applies are listed in 40 CFR 302.4.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Database identifies LEPCs throughout the U.S.

Extremely Hazardous Substances

When extremely hazardous substances are present in amounts equal to or greater than the threshold limits, the facility must notify the SERC and the LEPC within 60 days after they first receive a shipment or produce the substance onsite. The current list is found in 40 CFR 355, Appendix A.

Community Right to Know

Regulatory Sources

- 40 CFR 302
Designation, Reportable Quantities, and Notification
- 40 CFR 355
Emergency Planning and Notification
- 40 CFR 372
Toxic Chemical Release Reporting: Community Right-to-Know
- EPCRA Frequently Asked Questions and Answers
- Hazardous Substances (Superfund Liability) Self-Audit Checklist for the Construction Industry

Related Topics

- Air Emission Sources
- Cleanup Sites
- Facility Infrastructure
- Laboratories
- Medical Facilities
- Storage Tanks
- Vehicle Maintenance
- EPA's TRI Program Launches Electronic Release of Facility TRI Data

 Email It  Print It
 Feedback

Compliance Assistance

- My Community / My Facility
 - What is known about my facility?
 - Violations? Spills/Releases? Permits? Air Emissions? Hazardous Waste Generated?
- EPA Enforcement Focus
 - Labs, Stormwater, USTs, Wastewater
- Forms & Instructions
 - Air & stormwater permits, chemical & hazardous waste management
- Hotlines & Assistance Centers Directory
- Expert Advice

My Community / My Facility

- How Do I Find Environmental Information About My Community?
- Violations/Enforcement Actions At Your Facility
- Does Your Facility Have Any Sources of Air Emissions?
- Is Your Facility a Cleanup Site?
- Does Your Facility Generate Hazardous Waste?
- Does Your Facility Have Any Wastewater Permits?
- What Spills/Releases Have Been Reported For my Facility?
- Does Your Facility Treat Drinking Water?
- How Do I Find Multi-media Environmental Information About My Facility?
- Where do I find information on EPA Federal Facility Programs?
- How Can I Prepare for an Emergency?
- What Recycling Services Are Available To My Facility?
- What is "Federal Real Property?"
- What Endangered/Threatened Species Might Be In My Area?
- What Radiation Sources Are We Exposed to Every Day and How Do We Protect Ourselves?
- Where are treatment, storage and disposal facilities located near me?

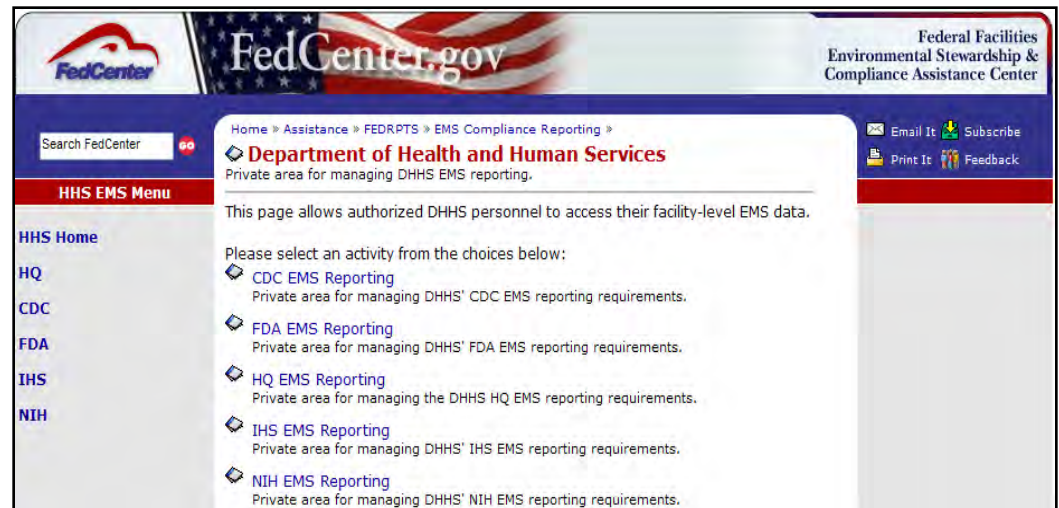
Form Copies & Instructions

The **Forms and Instructions** page provides information and links to required reporting forms for the following media types:

- [Air](#)
- [Chemical Management](#)
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- [Stormwater](#)
- [Toxic Substances](#)
- [Underground Injection Control](#)
- [Wastewater](#)


Compliance Assistance


- **FEDRPTS** reporting tool
 - Helps Federal Agencies manage their environmental inventories *and* comply with environmental reporting requirements
 - Recently used for EPACT and EMS reporting
 - 17 agencies participating (CIA, DHHS, DHS, DOC, DOE, DOI, DOJ, DOL, DOT, DVA, EPA, GSA, NASA, SI, Treasury, TVA, USDA)
 - Private, secure, available 24x7
 - Customizable, offered as fee-for-service to federal agencies



EMS Reporting Tool

HQ Level Facility Summary





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Page for authorized users to create, edit, delete and view DHHS HQ (agency-level) EMS data.

The first section below contains DHHS agency-level EMS rollout information for the 2008 reporting period.

| 2008 Agency POC & EMS Rollup Data | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|---|
| Agency | POC | Updated By | Last Updated | FY08 Agency-Level Rating |
| HHS | CAPT Edward Pfister | Deanna Lowery | 12/29/2008 5:03 PM | Yellow |

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The second box below lists all the DHHS EMSs contained in the 2008 EMS database. Facility-level EMS managers are asked to provide the information requested about each EMS.

| 2008 Facility/Organization EMS & Scorecard Information | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|---|
| SubAgency / Command | Facility | Updated By | Last Updated | Score |
| HHS/CDC | Anchorage | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/CDC | Chamblee | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Yellow |
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| HHS/FDA | Jefferson Laboratories | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/FDA | White Oak Campus | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/IHS | Hastings Indian Med Cen | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Green |
| HHS/IHS | San Xavier Health Cen | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/NIH | NIAID Rocky Mountain Labs | Deanna Lowery | 12/29/2008 5:19 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/NIH | NIEHS RTP, NC | Edward Pfister | 12/30/2008 1:59 PM | Green |
| HHS/NIH | NIH - Montgomery CO2 | Deanna Lowery | 12/29/2008 5:21 PM | Yellow |
| HHS/NIH | NIH Facilities at FT Detrick | Steve Luzzi | 12/29/2008 2:51 PM | Green |

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Facility Level Data View

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| Facility EMS Information | 2007 EMS Scorecard Metrics | EMS Effectiveness - Benefit of EMS on the Facility | EMS Effectiveness - Benefit of EMS on Environment | 2007 EMS Experiences Feedback |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|
| EMS Description | ? | Select Existing Value | | |
| Inception Date * | ? | On or before Jan 24 2007 | | |
| Implementation Date (OFEE-Negotiated) | ? | 12/31/2008 (mm/dd/yyyy) | | |
| EMS POC * | ? | Dave Ausdemore Select Existing Value | | |
| EMS POC Email * | ? | david.ausdemore@cdc.hhs.gov Select Existing Value | | |
| Self Declared? * | ? | No | | |
| Basis for Self Declaration | ? | | | |
| Self Declared Date | ? | (mm/dd/yyyy) | | |
| EMS Recognition | ? | Performance Track Other | | |
| Other EMS Recognition | ? | Select Existing Value | | |
| ISO 14001 Registered? | ? | No | | |
| EMS Comments | ? | | | |

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|-----------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Environmental Aspects * | <p>? D</p> <p>Please indicate the one statement which best describes the status of your appropriate facility's ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS during the reporting period. DO NOT report on actions taken AFTER September 30, 2007.</p> <p>A. Significant environmental aspects were not identified during this reporting period or previously. B. Significant environmental aspects were identified during this reporting period or previously; an established procedure was not used for this process. C. An established procedure was used to identify significant environmental aspects during this reporting period or previously; however, previously identified significant environmental aspects were not reevaluated during this period. D. Environmental aspects identified in a previous year were reevaluated during this reporting period using an established procedure and updated (added/deleted/modified) as appropriate.</p> | | | |
| Goals, Objectives and Targets * | ? C | | | |
| Operational Controls * | ? B | | | |
| Environmental Training * | ? B | | | |
| Contracts * | ? A | | | |
| EMS Audit/Evaluation Procedures * | ? C | | | |
| Last EMS Audit/Evaluation Date | ? 09/18/2007 ... (mm/dd/yyyy) | | | |
| Management Review * | ? D | | | |

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| Environmental Aspects | ? D | | | Field History |
| Goals, Objectives and Targets | ? C | | | Field History |
| Operational Controls | ? B | | | Field History |
| Environmental Training | ? B | | | Field History |
| Contracts | ? A | | | Field History |
| EMS Audit/Evaluation Procedures | ? C | | | Field History |
| Last EMS Audit/Evaluation Date | ? 09/18/2007 | | | Field History |
| Management Review | ? D | | | Field History |
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| Agency Description | Section I Summary | Section II Summary ? | Section III, Part A Summary | Section III, Part B Summary |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| No. Green Scores | ? 3 | | | |
| % Green Scores | ? 18% | | | |
| No. Yellow Scores | ? 14 | | | |
| % Yellow Scores | ? 82% | | | |
| No. Red Scores | ? 0 | | | |
| % Red Scores | ? 0% | | | |
| FY08 Agency-Level Rating | ?  Yellow | | | |

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EMS Reporting Tool

Site Reports - HQ Level View

2008 Agency EMS Annual Report Rollup (HHS) - HHS

| Agency Description | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Agency/Department | HHS |
| Agency Street Address | 200 Independence Ave SW |
| Agency City | Washington |
| Agency State | DC |
| Agency Zip Code | 20201 |
| Agency POC | CAPT Edward Pfister |
| Agency POC Email | Edward.Pfister@hhs.gov |

| Section I Summary | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| No. Appropriate Facilities | 18 |
| No. Pre-EO13423 EMSs Identified | 17 |
| No. Post-EO13423 EMSs Identified | 1 |

| Section II Summary | |
|--------------------------|---|
| No. Green Scores | 3 |
| % Green Scores | 18% |
| No. Yellow Scores | 14 |
| % Yellow Scores | 82% |
| No. Red Scores | 0 |
| % Red Scores | 0% |
| FY08 Agency-Level Rating | Yellow |

| Section III, Part A Summary | |
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Collaboration Resources

- Private *workgroup areas*
 - Document storage and workflow, discussion forums, and calendars
 - Currently supporting 30+ clients including:
 - Region 5 Sustainability Network
 - Interagency Workgroup on Climate Change Impacts
 - Interagency Environmental Leadership Workgroup
 - Dallas Sustainable Skylines Initiative
- Listservs
- E-mail subscription service

The screenshot displays the FedCenter.gov website interface. At the top, the FedCenter logo and 'FedCenter.gov' are visible. A search bar is located on the left. The main content area is titled 'Dallas Sustainable Skylines Initiative' and describes it as a private work area for members. It features several sections: 'General Information' with DSSI Project Descriptions; 'Announcements' listing events like 'Quantification (Emission Reductions) Documents' and 'Sustainable Communities Training Conference'; 'File Library' containing folders for 'Dallas Sustainable Skylines Initiative', 'DSSI Public Website Info', 'Logic Model General Info', 'Promotional / Press Materials', and 'Roster'; 'Project Workgroups' listing various workgroups like 'WG 1 - Urban Heat Island', 'WG 2 - Green Taxis-Rental Cars', etc.; 'Sustainable Communities Training Conference' details; and 'Discussion Forums' with a table showing topics and replies. On the right, there are links for 'Email It', 'Subscribe', 'Print It', and 'Feedback', along with a list of 'Items Recently Posted'.

Additional Products & Services

- Informational Products
 - Conferences, upcoming events and current announcements
 - Training directory
 - 220+ courses across 25 topic areas
 - Awards, grants and partnership opportunities
- Web Services
 - Conference website hosting
 - Awards programs
 - Training registration
 - Web Services support for data exchange between agencies

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Welcome to the 2008 Federal Environmental Symposium

2008 Federal Environmental Symposium

Registration for Symposium East is now closed. Symposium West registration is open until May 30th!

Symposium East
June 2-4, 2008
National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD
08:30 AM to 05:00 PM

Symposium West
June 17-19, 2008
Big Sky Resort, Big Sky, MT
Click for Symposium West details

A Message from the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive

It is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the 7th Annual Federal Environmental Symposium.

This year, there will be an **East Symposium** and a **West Symposium**. The East Symposium, hosted by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), will be held at the Natcher Conference Center (building 45), on June 2 - 4, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The conference center is located on the campus of the NIH, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

This year we are very excited to have added a parallel Symposium out west, sponsored by the Commander Navy Region Southwest Integrated Solid Waste Program, and hosted by the Federal Network for Sustainability - West and supported by several federal land agencies within the greater Yellowstone region. The West Symposium will be held at the Big Sky Resort, 1 Lone Mountain Trail, Big Sky, MT 59716, on June 17 - 19, 2008.

The theme this year is the **Implementation Progress of Executive Order 13423 - Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management**. The purpose is to provide and exchange information and hear from our colleagues and experts on activities and experiences over the past year since the Executive Order was signed. We will also be using the Symposium to discuss and review implementation guidance that has been developed over the past year, as well as changes to the OMS environmental stewardship, energy, and transportation scorecards.

This past year was once again characterized by stellar efforts by the federal community to lead by example in environmental and energy stewardship. We have done much, and learned much, over the past year in regard to the new E.O. But more importantly, we have learned over the past 7 years the value and utility of the symposium - a place where practitioners can come together to share tangible ideas and experiences.

We look forward to your participation in the Symposium. We have much information to share and build upon, so please join us. Whether in Bethesda or Yellowstone, we are sure you will find a worthwhile investment - and fun!

Click here to register for Symposium East


Click here to register for Symposium West

Current Initiatives

- Communities of Practice
 - Collaborative network of professionals who share a common interest
 - Interact regularly to share lessons learned, solve common problems, develop best practices or improve their own skills and competencies
- Web 2.0 – or “social networking” tools
 - Blogs – web logs of user commentary on various subjects
 - Wikis – web-based, collaborative, concept development tool
 - Facebook? MySpace? YouTube? Twitter? Del.icio.us?



Current Initiatives


- Training Services
 - In-house training library
 - Federal Labs regulatory compliance course
 - UST regulatory compliance course
 - EMS training
 - Webinars-on-demand service
-  RSS News Feeds
 - Subscription-based, automated information delivery service via data aggregators on the user's desktop





Current Initiatives


- Recovery Act support
 - Grant opportunities for feds
 - FEDRPTS tool
 - Implementation guidance


Recovery Act


-  **Brownfields Job Training Grants**


The intent of these grants is to provide environmental job training projects that will promote job creation and economic development by facilitating the assessment, remediation, or preparation of brownfields sites. Applications are due on April 20, 2009.
-  **Clean Diesel Emerging Technologies Program**


These funds are available to U.S. regional, state, local, tribal or port agencies with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality. This is a competitive grant program that will support the creation of national, state or local innovative clean diesel financial programs, which maximize job creation and preservation. Innovative financial programs include those where the loan recipient receives a unique financial incentive (i.e., better than regular market rates or conditions) for the purchase of retrofitted vehicles or equipment. Applications are due May 5, 2009.
-  **Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration Projects**

The focus of the funding is projects that will restore coastal and marine habitats under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Applications are due May 6, 2009.
-  **Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative**

The intent of these grant is to support the construction (including production capacity increase of current plants), of U.S. based manufacturing plants to produce batteries and electric drive components. Applications are due May 19, 2009.
-  **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program**

This DOE program provides federal grants to units of local government, Indian tribes, states, and territories to reduce energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and for improvements in energy efficiency.
-  **Multi-Species Conservation Program** ★

Implementation of the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program (LCR MSCP). The LCR MSCP is a multi-stakeholder, Federal and non-Federal partnership which balances the use of the Colorado River water resources with the conservation of native species and their habitats in compliance with the Endangered Species Act. Funding will be available to fund LCR MSCP projects to complete conservation measures described in the Habitat Conservation Plan. Applications are due May 29, 2009.
-  **Transportation Electrification**

The purpose of this grant is to establish development, demonstration, evaluation, and education projects to accelerate the market introduction and penetration of advanced electric drive vehicles. DOE's goal is for the vehicles and electric technologies to achieve a fast market introduction and reach high volume production. Applications are due May 13, 2009.
-  **Water Quality Management Planning (WQMP) Grants**

These grants will be appropriated to State and Tribal governments for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities.

Summary

- FedCenter exists to help federal agencies meet their regulatory compliance obligations and improve their environmental performance
- We want to know....
 - How are we doing?
 - What has been of value to you?
 - Can you find information readily?
 - Are we providing the services you need?
 - What additional compliance needs do you have?
- You can help....
 - Are you interested in contributing to the our information base?
 - Are you willing to offer your environmental expertise in a particular area?
 - Do you have the means to contribute financially?
- Remember – this is your Center! *So let's partner.*

Questions?

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